Students in the School Final Class.

213. *MR. K. A. MAHOMED: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) the number of students who were studying in the School Final Class in all the schools of the State last academic year;

(b) the number of students selected to appear for the examination;

(c) the number of students passed; and

(d) the percentage of students passed from private schools and Government schools?

MR. A. NARAYANAN TAMPI (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*):

(a) 7171

(b) 5513

(c) 2723

(d) Private — 48·6%

Government — 51·9%

Aided School teachers and the Education Department.

214. *MR. D. THOMAS: Will the Government be pleased to state whether there is any age limit to licensed teachers in aided schools for entering Government service as teachers?

MR. A. NARAYANAN TAMPI: Yes.

Kerosene rationing.

215. *MR. M. K. NILAKANTAN (*Mavelikara* cum *Kunnattur*): Will the Government be pleased to state whether the rationing of kerosene in Quilon Division is a scheme approved and sanctioned by the Government; what is the quantity that an 'A' class ticket holder gets for a month and whether any portion of the quota for Kunnattur taluk for the months March and April was sent to the neighbouring taluks, and if so, why?

MR. K. R. NARAYANA AIYAR (*Director of Food Supplies*): No special scheme for the rationing of kerosene has been sanctioned by the Government, but they have directed that kerosene should be equitably distributed. The quantity that an 'A' class ticket holder now gets is 36 oz. per month. No portion of the quota for Kunnattur taluk for the months of March and April was sent to the neighbouring taluks.

MR. M. K NILAKANTAN: May I know whether the quantity given to the 'A' Class ticket holders is sufficient for their use?

MR. K. R. NARAYANA AIYAR: That will depend upon the quota that is made available by the Company.

Stock of Bajra.

216. *MR. K. A. MAHOMED: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) whether they have any stock of bajra in the State; and

(b) if the answer is positive, how much?

MR. K. R. NARAYANA AIYAR: (a) Yes.

(b) 955 tons.

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